

18 East State Street
(Commercial Building)
Trenton
Mercer County
New Jersey

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE New Jersey		COUNTY Mercer	TOWN OR VICINITY Trenton
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 18 East State Street (Commercial Building)			HABS NO. NJ-965
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 18 East State Street (Commercial Building)			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1910 (Based on examination of photographs of Trenton).		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Not known	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) A mid-block commercial building in the heart of Trenton's downtown commercial area. Constructed for mixed retail-office use, it contained a shoe store from 1910 to about 1935, and a women's clothing store from 1946 to 1985.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick, load-bearing walls. Party walls are common red brick, painted off-white; facade is finished with white brickface.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular building, approximately 20' x 112', four stories tall.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE White and tan color marbleized metal panels frame the storefront and extend halfway up the building. Facade windows at fourth floor only; 1/1 double hung sash windows flank a pair of similar type. There is no decorative trim; the windows share a plain continuous cornice & lintel. Tall parapet above flat roof.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Interior inaccessible at time of recording.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES White brick face applied to facade, probably mid-20th century. Large metal-framed windows and door to storefront added in 1970's.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Fair condition. Building vacant on upper floors; first floor storefront in use. Building demolished September 1987 for redevelopment project.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
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Floor Plan

